

### **Aerial Photographs**

The preferred method for choosing an aerial photograph would be through a local GIS website. Most counties and/or municipalities maintain their own GIS websites that contain several layers of useful information including aerial photography. If this information can not be found for the county or municipality of the project, try <http://www.terraserver-usa.com> on-line and search for the area of interest. Linking up to each of the GIS websites and Terraserver-USA will allow you to print directly from the webpage.

Congestion Management possesses comprehensive aerial coverage for over 70 counties throughout the state. These image files can be found in the Congestion Management Engineer's office. The image files contain aerials for the entire county mapped together to create a single aerial image. The date of the aerials range from 1994 to 2003.

If you can not find a suitable aerial through the two sources listed above, you may visit the Photogrammetry Unit in Building B Room 314 in the Century Center. Aerials that are flown for each TIP Project are stored here.

Aerials can be found using the Photogrammetry Database. From the Database, you can search by Mission Number, County, TIP Project, or route. Once you have performed a query, scroll through the results to find the newest aerial. After finding the Mission Number pull the appropriate book out to view the mission photos. Locate which exposure(s) needed for the project. After determining which exposure(s) are needed, fill out a Photogrammetry Laboratory Work Order form, available in Room 314. Fill out your name, Signature, Department (3327 - Traffic), Project No. (our SC number) and TIP project (if applicable). For basic projects, contact prints are all that is required. Check the contact prints box, and fill in the Quantity, Mission Number, Exposures, and check the paper box. Hand the completed form to the Photogrammetry Secretary. Photo orders for contact prints usually take one full working day to complete.